



Iowa Ag News – Monthly Prices

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The average price received by farmers for **corn** during March in Iowa was \$3.43 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Agricultural Prices* report. This was up \$0.04 from the February price, but \$0.03 below March 2016.

The March 2017 average price received by farmers for **soybeans**, at \$9.58 per bushel, was down \$0.13 from the February price, but \$1.12 above the March 2016 price.

The March average **oat** price per bushel was \$3.20, up \$0.12 from February, and \$0.37 above March 2016.

All hay prices in Iowa averaged \$80.00 per ton in March. This was down \$7.00 from the February price, and \$18.00 less than March 2016. The March 2017 **alfalfa hay** price averaged \$84.00, down \$6.00 from February, and \$18.00 below March 2016. The average price received for **other hay** during March was \$68.00 per ton. This was down \$8.00 from the February price, and \$14.00 lower than last year.

The average price was \$17.70 per cwt for **milk**, down \$1.50 from the February price, but \$2.20 above one year ago. Milk cow replacements averaged \$1,600 as of April 1, 2017.

Prices Received by Farmers – Iowa and United States

	Iowa			United States		
	March 2016	February 2017	March 2017	March 2016	February 2017	March 2017
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Cornbu	3.46	3.39	3.43	3.56	3.44	3.49
Hay, all, baledton	98.00	87.00	80.00	136.00	126.00	132.00
Alfalfaton	102.00	90.00	84.00	139.00	129.00	135.00
Otherton	82.00	76.00	68.00	126.00	122.00	127.00
Oatsbu	2.83	3.08	3.20	2.20	2.40	2.39
Soybeansbu	8.46	9.71	9.58	8.56	9.86	9.69
Milk, allcwt	15.50	19.20	17.70	15.30	18.50	17.30
Milk cows ^{1 2}head	1,860.00	1,570.00	1,600.00	1,830.00	1,620.00	1,640.00

¹ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for January, April, July, and October.

² Milk cow prices are for April 1, 2016, January 1, 2017, and April 1, 2017.

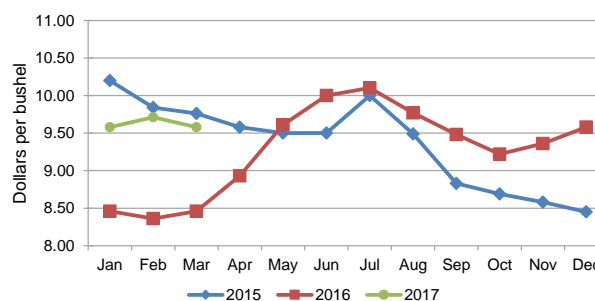
Livestock Prices Received by Farmers – United States

	March 2016	February 2017	March 2017
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Calves cwt	199.00	151.00	161.00
Cattle, all beef cwt	135.00	119.00	125.00
Cows ¹ cwt	80.00	64.90	69.50
Steers and heifers cwt	137.00	121.00	127.00
Hogs, all cwt	50.00	54.40	53.00
Barrows and gilts cwt	50.50	55.30	53.70
Sows cwt	36.30	33.20	36.20
Eggs (market) ² doz	0.731	0.373	0.555

¹ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

² Mid-month price. Also referred to as table eggs.

Soybean Price Received by Farmers - Iowa



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